

FISCAL NOTE

SB 3071 - HB 3112

March 31, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Provides for the *Education Edge Bill of Rights*. The bill provides that participation by the student in *Education Edge* is voluntary but provides that every career cluster will be available to every student at every school and no student will be disadvantaged in pursuing completion of a career cluster because of the particular school the student attends.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures* - \$7,000,000 Recurring
\$5,400,000 One-Time**

Estimate assumes:

- Large high schools will be able to modify current teacher assignments to accommodate clusters while high schools with less than 750 students (129) will need to add teaching staff.
- A total of 200 new teachers will be needed at approximately \$35,000 for salary and benefits.
- One-half of new classrooms needed for new cluster teachers will become available due to discontinued elective classes.
- A total of 100 new classrooms (50% of new teachers) will be needed with approximately 750 square feet per classroom at approximately \$72 per square foot construction cost.

*Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: *no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.*

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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